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Commissioner for Patents Mail Stop Missing Parts P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed 5/17/2004 attached are formal drawings for the above patent application. A copy of the Notice is returned with this reply.

Prior to examination of the application, Applicant hereby requests the following amendments to the specification and drawings. These amendments correct typographical errors in the specification and drawings. No new material has been added.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings. As an appendix to this preliminary amendment, one sheet labeled "Annotated Sheet Showing Changes" is provided to show the changes to Fig. 2. Also attached are two sheets of formal drawings labeled "Replacement Sheet," which include the proposed changes. Withdrawal of the rejection of the drawings is requested.